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## LONDON HORROR 'SICK AND DEPRAVED'

Terror strikes at the heart of Britain's democracy

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Five people were killed and 40 injured after a man drove into a crowd of people on Westminster Bridge and stabbed a police officer inside the gates of Parliament in London. TONY MELVILLE/REUTERS

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# 3 things to note from council

From compost pickup (or lack thereof) to an Indigenous accord, here's what's worth knowing about from city hall.

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## ① Rebate for True North Square

Councillors Ross Eadie and Russ Wyatt were the sole dissenters in a 14-2 vote to grant \$3.2 million in tax increment financing to True North Sports & Entertainment.

The money would be used to pay for the construction of a \$8.9-million public plaza in the \$400-million True North Square development. That new grant is on top of the \$17.6 million in tax rebates the developer is set to receive.

Those funds will be put towards improving the area's sidewalks and building new skywalks. Eadie believes the city shouldn't fork over additional money to True North, as the company already receives municipal refunds from the MTS Centre's entertainment taxes.

"While I appreciate the work True North does I can't, with good conscience, vote for this, when we are not demanding of them who are prospering, who are rich, wealthy."

## ② First-ever Indigenous accord

Council also unanimously adopted the city's first Indigenous accord. Mayor Brian Bowman describes the document as a next step towards reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and formalizes the relationship between the city and First Nations.

There will be no additional resources towards the accord, but there will be an annual progress report on reconciliation.

"All members of council should take tremendous pride in their work as a council and our work as a community to move the ball forward in their direction in reconciliation," Bowman said before the report.

"This accord is for our Indigenous community, it is for our non-Indigenous community and it is for all Winnipeggers."



## ③ Compost tossed from review

A motion to review the city's garbage pickup service has sailed through council — but don't expect any movement on compost.

Councillors Russ Wyatt, Jeff Browaty and Shawn Dobson were the naysayers in the vote because they didn't want to see the city spend \$200,000 to hire a consultant to do the work.

Many councillors took turns speculating how the review could impact a future compost pickup program, which will be left out of the review. Coun. Jenny Gerbasi said she's disappointed the city does not yet have a green bin program, adding that people are losing trust council will ever introduce one. The review will focus on the policies that guide the city's garbage and recycling pickup. It is anticipated to be finished by late 2018.

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# App aims to help residents explore city like tourists

ARTS & CULTURE

## Culture Card to list events happening each week

 **Jessica Botelho-Urbanski**  
For Metro | Winnipeg

Arturo Orellana hails from Madrid, but within a year and a half in Winnipeg, he's become one of those most in the know in the city's arts and culture scene.

Now he and three co-founders — Pablo Steinberg, Kyle Romanuk and Valen Vergara — have created an app to connect the many eclectic arms of Winnipeg's artistic communities.

Launching Friday evening with a kickoff at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights, Culture Card will be a free one-stop shop for those wanting to learn about 35 to 50 arts and culture events happening each week, Orellana said.

The app will also include a discounts page where 300 local restaurants, theatres, salons, clothing stores and more can offer deals on products and services. Orellana said he'd like to have 1,000 businesses and 50,000 Culture Card users signed up by the end of the year.

"The idea basically is to keep people active. Go and explore



Culture Card co-founder Arturo Orellana wants Winnipeggers to explore the city's culture scene in depth, as he has since arriving from Madrid one-and-a-half years ago.

JESSICA BOTELHO-URBANSKI/METRO

your home city. I want to make you feel like you're a tourist in Winnipeg," Orellana said. "I realize that I'm from Madrid. I came here (and) I went so deeply into connecting with everyone that I know Winnipeg much better than any local."

Steinberg, who's from Argentina and has lived in Winnipeg for the last 15 years, said Orellana's fresh take on the Manitoba capital gives Culture Card an edge.

"The outsider perspective is important because he values things that you take for granted as a Winnipegger," he said.

And for Romanuk, embracing "the outsider perspective"

meant hiring a few babysitters for his home.

"In my stage of life with a young family, I just really made the assumption that my world for now is just between home and work and school and activities," he said.

"But Arturo and being involved with Culture Card have brought us out. We're actually experiencing our arts and cultural community now and it's really made a difference in our lives."

Culture Card will also curate their own events, including an after-party when Royal Canoe plays alongside the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra May 25.

## WHITTIER PARK Elm to live on as public art

 **Braeden Jones**  
Metro | Winnipeg

Trust Festival du Voyageur to turn a rotten situation into an opportunity for something special to emerge.

Before the most recent Festival in Whittier Park, organizers knew it could be the last for a great but terminally ill elm tree located between Fort Gibraltar and Maison Chaboillez.

On Wednesday, they issued a call for artists to submit proposals for repurposing the elm tree within an installation that "transforms this mighty elm into a legacy for the entire community."

The call for submissions notes candidates must be Manitoban or current residents in the province.

A selection committee will accept proposals until April 21, after which they will evaluate their options and announce three short-listed finalists.

Those final few will be asked to submit project proposals complete with drawings or a model, and the winning design will be unveiled to the public by June.

For more information about the application process, please consult the "Call to artists" on the Festival's website at [www.heho.ca](#).

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# Bus drama on the highway

## PUBLIC SAFETY

## Greyhound pulled over due to Winnipeg man's actions

A Greyhound bus packed with passengers was forced to make an emergency stop on the side of the Trans-Canada Highway just east of Chestermere, Alta., after a passenger started behaving erratically.

Passengers on the bus told CTV Calgary they became concerned Tuesday afternoon when the man put a mask on his face, started pacing up and down the aisle, jotted down notes in a notebook, and pulled out his cellphone and started taking people's pictures.

The driver pulled over and called 911, and within minutes the bus was surrounded by seven police cruisers.

Staff Sgt. Jeremy Landry confirmed an adult male had been arrested under the Mental Health Act.

He said the man was transported to a Calgary hospital for a mental health assessment.



The vehicle stopped on the side of the Trans-Canada Highway Tuesday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

Landry said the investigation determined no criminal actions had occurred, so no charges would be laid.

The man had recently been reported missing by his family in Winnipeg.

The bus had been destined for Vancouver. Passengers said

**People were mainly shocked. Shocked, scared.**

Greyhound passenger

the man got on the bus in Winnipeg late Monday night and kept to himself, not speaking with anyone.

The man's strange behaviour started shortly after the bus made a brief stop.

"People were mainly shocked," one passenger told

CTV Calgary. "Shocked, scared."

Earlier this month, another Greyhound bus pulled over on the side of the Trans-Canada Highway near Sintaluta, Sask., when a passenger started brandishing a large knife and acting erratically.

The man with the knife initially would not let another passenger off the bus, or move from his seat. The man then left the bus and walked into a farmer's field.

After about 45 minutes, the man walked to police and gave himself up. No one was injured.

In 2008, 22-year-old Tim McLean was beheaded and cannibalized on a Greyhound bus in Manitoba by Vince Li, who was found not criminally responsible due to schizophrenia.

Li, who has changed his name to Will Baker, has since been granted an absolute discharge as doctors determined he no longer poses a threat to public safety.

They described him as a model patient who had not been treated for schizophrenia at the time of his attack, saying he now understands he must take his medication to keep his illness at bay.

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## SEXUAL HARASSMENT Football Manitoba apologizes

The governing body of amateur football in Manitoba has issued written apologies to two teenage girls for the way the organization handled their sexual harassment complaints.

The complaints were filed last fall by the Interlake Thunder Football Club on behalf of two of its players, Isabelle McDonald, 15, and a teammate, stemming from an incident following a Midget Football League of Manitoba game in Stonewall last September.

The apology was issued in a letter obtained by CTV Winnipeg dated March 10, sent to the Thunder by Football Manitoba president Brett L'Esperance.

The complaint alleged McDonald became the target of sexist comments after a game and that a second girl was hit on her backside by members of the opposing football team.

In the apology letter, Football Manitoba said it does not condone what happened and will work to make sure it does not happen again.

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**Manitoba Premier Brian Pallister** appeared satisfied with commitments made to Indigenous health in Wednesday's federal budget. JESSICA BOTELHO-URBANSKI/METRO

## Pallister 'not displeased'

## POLITICS

### Manitoba Premier sees pros, cons in federal budget

**Braeden Jones**  
Metro | Winnipeg

Manitoba's Premier noted both wins and losses for the people of Manitoba in the federal budget released Wednesday.

On the plus side, Brian Pallister said he was "not displeased" with commitments to Indigenous health.

Budget documents tabled Wednesday suggest total investment in seven service areas — chronic and infectious diseases, maternal and child health, primary care, mental wellness, palliative care, harm reduction, and non-insured benefits programs — will total \$828.2 million over five years.

"We see major additional commitments in a number of categories that will of course be very beneficial to Indigenous people, and in our province —

with Canada's leading population of Indigenous people — that is a bit of good news for them," Pallister said.

He was less than pleased, however, with the federal government's reaction to the recent influx of asylum-seekers, calling the funding on tap, "not significant in any way."

"Manitoba has stood strong and we have done more than our part," Pallister said, adding he hoped to see funds for "better partnerships to protect asylum seekers," as well as extra cash for programs to help people who have crossed the border.

"Talk of continuing previously announced programs is not recognition of the growing concerns that I think many Canadians have."

Pallister is also standing his ground by saying the province won't sign onto any health accord until the federal government formally rescinds a threat to pull \$60 million in funding for the National Research Council's factory of the future project in Winnipeg.

"It's critical we have that commitment reaffirmed and the risk of the removal of that commitment removed," Pallister said.

## IN BRIEF

**Bowman likes housing plan**

Scant on details due to a lengthy council meeting Wednesday, Winnipeg's mayor still applauded the federal government's plan to spend on affordable housing, innovation and green infrastructure in its 2017 budget.

"I'm going to be looking

into more details about how we can access funds for other priorities, like roads," Brian Bowman said.

He said he has more reading to do in order to hammer out the details of what the government's new spending plan means for Winnipeg.

STEPHANIE TAYLOR/METRO

## 2017 BUDGET

## EQUALITY

## Praise for Morneau's gender-based analysis

When federal Finance Minister Bill Morneau delivered the 2017 budget in the House of Commons Wednesday, he said the decisions within "impact men and women differently."

And despite that statement being so obvious, it follows the first-ever federal budget process that adopted a gender-based analysis — which means the government weighed the impact of its decisions on dif-

ferent segments of the population.

Morneau's sentiment — one he shares with self-declared feminist Prime Minister Justin Trudeau — is backed up within the budget documents tabled before the House, and not only within the lengthy "gender statement" section which analyzes budget items through a gender-balanced lens.

There's demonstrable effort to increase opportunities for women in the workforce, including billions in funding to create more affordable childcare and improved employment insurance benefits for anyone caring for sick relatives.

Shauna Mackinnon, an associate professor of urban and inner city studies at the University of Winnipeg, said

there's "a lot of value" in the federal government's gender-based analysis approach.

"It's something that women who follow these things have been looking to see for a long, long time," Mackinnon said.

Looking specifically to the policy areas that affect women more often than men, including childcare, she said, "is a good idea for a whole host of reasons." BRAEDEN JONES/METRO

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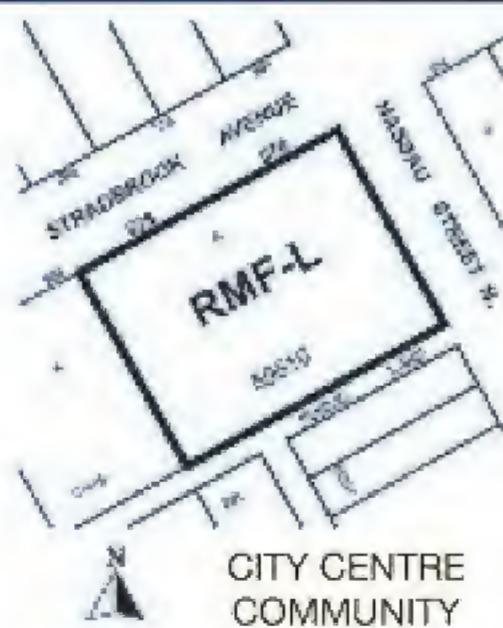
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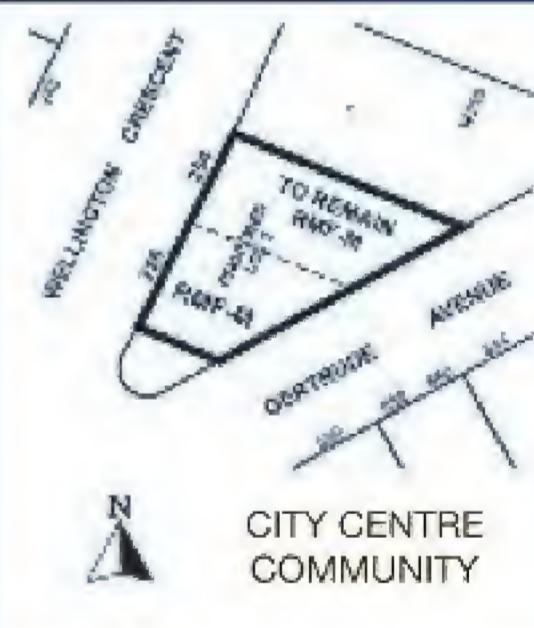
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## Transit riders are losing their tax breaks



**Ryan  
Tumilty**  
Metro | Ottawa

The Liberal government is eliminating the tax credit allowing Canadians to deduct part of the cost of monthly transit passes.

The 15 per cent non-refundable tax credit has been in place since 2006.

"We will eliminate inefficient tax measures, especially those that disproportionately benefit

the wealthy," finance minister Bill Morneau said in his speech in the Commons.

While the public transit credit does not disproportionately impact the wealthy, Morneau said it wasn't working.

"We set on a course to make sure our tax system was fair and that our tax system was efficient," he said. "We found that it was not doing what it was intended to do."

Riders will be able to deduct

passes this year up until June, but after that the credit will end.

Morneau said the government was investing in building more public transit, which would ultimately do a better job of growing ridership.

Edmonton Mayor Don Iveson, chair of the Big City Mayor's Caucus, said that tax credit amounting to \$5 or \$10 a month is not going to make or break a person's decision to take transit. But NDP leader Tom Mulcair countered

back, saying that it's a mistake to look at the credit only as an incentive to take transit; it's also a social good.

According to the government, removing the credit will save just over \$1 billion over the next five years.

The latest figures show about 1.8 million Canadians claim the credit annually, but only about 1.3 million people actually make enough money for the credit to reduce their taxes.

## 5 Things worth taking note of in the budget

The 2017 federal budget has money for transit, affordable housing and is the first-ever budget to be considered through a gender-based prism.

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Minister of Finance  
Bill Morneau  
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### 1 Gender equality

In what was billed as an historic first, the Liberal government says the entire 2017 federal budget was considered through a gender-based prism, with specific investments framed to promote equality and bring more women into the workforce. Speaking to Parliament on Wednesday, Finance Minister Bill Morneau said all measures in the new budget were assessed based on their impact on women. The "Gender Statement" in the 2017 budget outlines the persisting wage gap between men and women in Canada, as well as the overrepresentation of women in lower income sectors and the low proportion of women in management and boardroom positions.

### 2 Transit

The government will spend \$20.6 billion over the next 11 years across the country on public transit projects. The Liberals are prepared to cover up to 40 per cent of new subways and light rail lines. The number rises to 50 per cent for repair or rehabilitation projects, but the government is capping the amount that can be spent on rehabilitation, favouring the construction of new projects. As cities had asked, there will be no application process, with money flowing based on an agreed upon formula that will prioritize cities that already have large transit ridership.

### 3 Housing

The government is investing \$11.2 billion over 11 years on affordable housing. The money won't start flowing until after the 2019 election, even as cities across the country are closing subsidized housing units and have people on long wait lists. The funding will go to the provinces to build new units and repair existing ones, as well as a new national housing fund that will provide low-cost loans for more housing units and help keep current rent-gearied-to-income units open. The government is also pledging to open up more federal land at little or no cost for affordable housing.

### 4 Child care

The budget includes \$7 billion over the next decade to increase access to affordable child care, the option to begin maternity leave earlier or extend parental leave to 18 months. The details outlined estimated that child care spending could create 40,000 new, subsidized daycare spaces countrywide over the next three years, representing a bump of less than 10 percent in the overall number of spaces.

### 5 Ethics training for judges

The federal government will invest additional \$2.7 million over five years, plus \$500,000 annually afterwards, for the Canadian Judicial Council to support training on ethics and conduct for federally appointed judges, while also ensuring access to professional development that is gender and culturally sensitive.

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**1 British Prime Minister Theresa May** speaks outside 10 Downing Street in central London on Wednesday, after the terror incident in the U.K. Parliament.

**2 An armed police officer** guards Westminster Bridge and the Houses of Parliament on Wednesday.

**3 A member of Parliament** helps emergency services attend to an injured person outside the Houses of Parliament.

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# 'We will all move forward together'

## TERIORISM

### Five killed, 40 injured in attack on U.K. Parliament

A knife-wielding man went on a deadly rampage in the heart of Britain's seat of power Wednesday, plowing a car into pedestrians on London's Westminster Bridge before stabbing a police officer to death inside the gates of Parliament. Five people were killed, including the assailant, and 40 others were injured in what Prime Minister Theresa May condemned as a "sick and depraved terrorist attack."

Lawmakers, lords, staff and visitors were locked down after

the man was shot by police within the perimeter of Parliament, just metres from entrances to the building itself and in the shadow of the iconic Big Ben clock tower. He died, as did three pedestrians on the bridge, and the police officer.

A doctor who treated the wounded from the bridge said some had "catastrophic" injuries. Three police officers,

several French teenagers on a school trip and two Romanian tourists were among the casualties.

Police said they were treating the attack as terrorism. There was no immediate claim of responsibility. Metropolitan Police counterterrorism chief Mark Rowley said police believed there was only one attacker,

"but it would be foolish to be overconfident early on."

The threat level for international terrorism in the U.K. was already listed at severe, meaning an attack was "highly likely."

Speaking outside 10 Downing St. after chairing a meeting of government's emergency committee, COBRA, May said that level would not change.

She said attempts to defeat British values of democracy and freedom through terrorism would fail.

"Tomorrow morning, Parliament will meet as normal," she said. Londoners and visitors "will all move forward together, never giving in to terror and never allowing the voices of hate and evil to drive us apart."

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## REACTION

## Trudeau to London: 'We stand with you'

The apparent terrorist incident outside the British Parliament is a cowardly attack on democracy around the world, says Prime Minister Justin Trudeau.

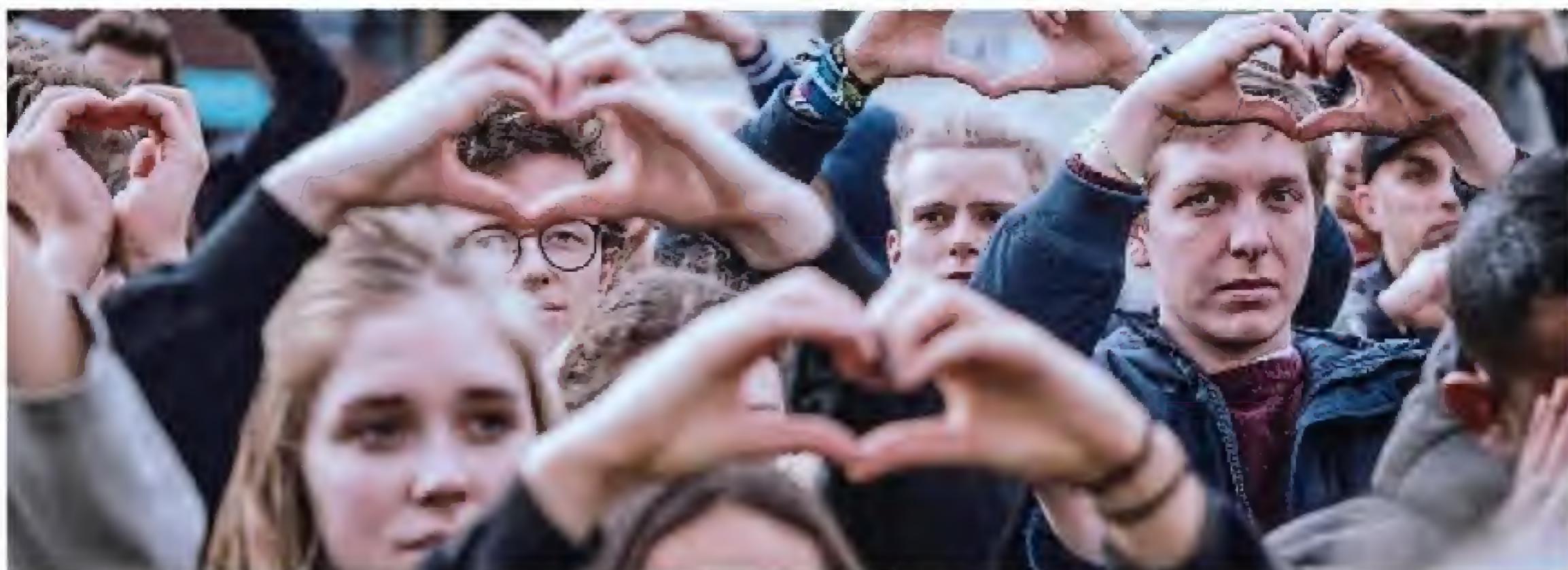
Canada stands ready to help Britain in any way it can after the attack, which left at least five dead in London, Trudeau said Wednesday.

The dead included the attacker and a police officer, and some 20 more were wounded in the incident, which occurred on the grounds of the Parliament Buildings and the nearby Westminster Bridge, London police said.

In Canada's House of Commons, Trudeau called the attack on Britain's seat of democracy "a cowardly and reprehensible act that we condemn in the strongest terms."

"Canada and the U.K. are close friends and allies and our message to the citizens of the United Kingdom and our colleagues in the British Parliament is simple: We stand with you."

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People make a heart with their hands during the one-year anniversary of the attack in Brussels on Wednesday. GETTY IMAGES

## Brussels marks anniversary of attacks

## ANNIVERSARY

### City trying to forge ahead after last year's deadly massacre

As the chaos in London, U.K. ensues, the city of Brussels, Belgium is marking the one-year

anniversary of a day in which three bombers killed 32 people and wounded more than 300 in the Brussels airport and subway a year ago.

A year later, the city's physical scars may have healed, but the pain is still there. Residents and authorities are determined to forge ahead, without changing the character of their city.

"It's the responsibility of each

and every one of us to make our society more humane, and more just," King Philippe told a remembrance service as a new monument was unveiled to the victims in the Belgian capital's European quarter.

"Above all, let us dare to be tender," he said.

The fear of an attack is widely shared across Europe, underlined at Britain's parliament Wed-

nesday as an attacker stabbed an officer and was then shot by police, and witnesses said a vehicle struck several people on the nearby bridge.

Even if locals in Brussels are mostly oblivious to heavily armed paratroopers patrolling the city's landmarks, visitors still stop in their tracks when they notice the camouflage dress and the machine-guns.

Normality is still far off on the anniversary of the attacks.

Before the attacks, said Patrick Bontinck, CEO of the Visit Brussels tourist office, "tourism was growing approximately 10 per cent each year since five years."

"We had a drop of approximately from 30 to 40 per cent in just two or three days after the attack," Bontinck said.

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# Africa needs safe water

## INFRASTRUCTURE

## Health agency says 1.8 billion use unsafe supply: Report

Nearly a third of people in sub-Saharan Africa do not have access to safe drinking water, the World Water Council said Wednesday, urging governments to contribute adequate amounts of their budgets toward projects aimed at making safe water widely available.

"There is an absolute necessity to increase water security in order to overcome the chal-

lenges brought on by climate change and human influence ... We need commitment at the highest levels," the organization's president, Benedito Braga, said in a statement marking World Water Day.

Africa and Asia are the most affected by scarcity of safe water, with Papua New Guinea, Equatorial Guinea and Angola reporting that clean water is available to less than 50 per cent of their populations, the statement said.

Globally, at least 1.8 billion people use a drinking-water source contaminated with feces, and half of the world's population will be living in water-stressed areas by 2025.

The water problem is par-



Nearly a third of people in sub-Saharan Africa do not have access to safe drinking water. GETTY IMAGES

according to the World Health Organization.

The water problem is par-

ticularly serious in sub-Saharan Africa, where 32 per cent of people lack access to clean water and where some of the world's poorest live.

In Africa's largest city, environmental activists protested for better access to clean water. Community leaders in Lagos, Nigeria, said residents of the sprawling city of 21 million are suffering.

"When we fetch the water, it foams and smells like petrol and detergent was poured into it," Barakatu Elegbede said.

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## UNITED STATES

## Trump 'vindicated' after intel briefing

Communications of Donald Trump's transition officials — possibly including the incoming president himself — may have been scooped up in legal surveillance but then improperly distributed throughout the intelligence community, the chairman of the House intelligence committee said Wednesday.

In an extraordinary set of statements to reporters, Republican Rep. Devin Nunes said the intercepted communications do not appear to be related to the ongoing FBI investigation into Trump associates' contacts with Russia or any criminal warrants.

Nunes, who served on Trump's

transition team, said he believes the intelligence collections were done legally but that identities of Trump officials and the content of their communications may have been inappropriately disseminated in intelligence reports.

Trump said he felt "somewhat" vindicated by the revelations, despite the fact that Nunes said the new information did not change his assessment that the president's explosive claim Barack Obama wiretapped his New York skyscraper was false.

Nunes said the information on the Trump team was collected in November, December and January. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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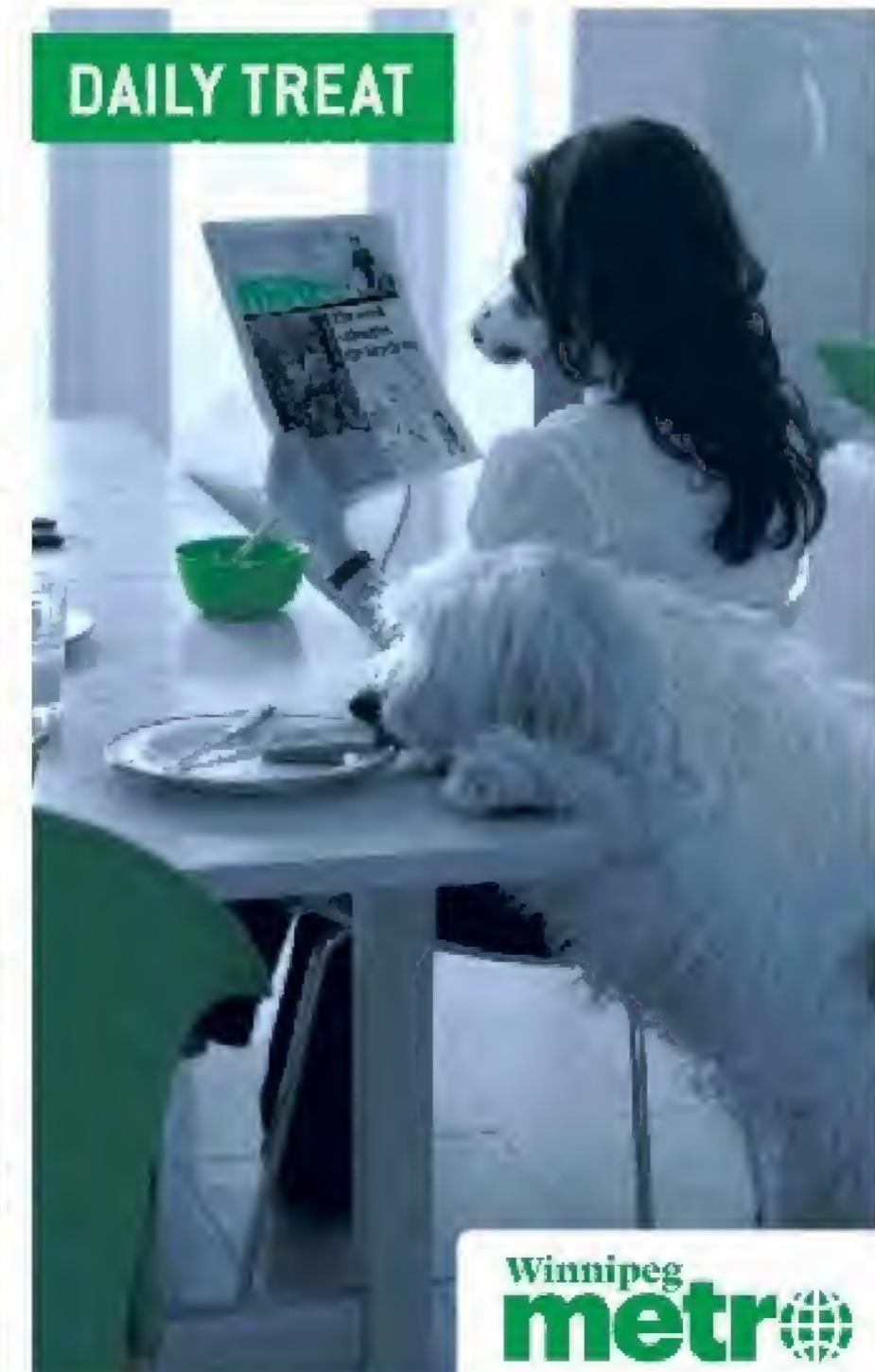
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### CHANTAL HÉBERT ON THE BUDGET WE'VE SEEN BEFORE



If you subscribe to the notion that governments are meant to walk their talk at budget time, then Justin Trudeau's Liberals are on a treadmill.

Finance minister Bill Morneau's second budget is, for the most part, a wordy rewrite of his previous one.

It adds up to sea of words that almost manage to drown the inconvenient fact that, in most instances, he is putting little or no money where his mouth is until just before the next election.

Take innovation, the self-declared theme of the 2017 budget. As advertised, it has pride of place in the budget.

But that placement brings the government perilously close to indulging in false advertising.

Morneau's strategy, to put it charitably, is a work-in-progress. The government is still in consultation mode on most of the plan. Legislation to set up a previously announced infrastructure bank has yet to be introduced.

The government says it is

### Finance Minister Bill Morneau's second budget is, for the most part, a wordy rewrite of his previous one.

about to engage in discussions with the CRTC as to how to go about ensuring high-speed Internet access for all Canadians.

That promise first surfaced in a Paul Martin budget in a previous century . . .

The government wants to make it easier for unemployed Canadians to get training through unemployment insurance. But, if you are out of work this year, you may also be out of luck; the government is not planning to spend new money in its skills section of its innovation agenda until next year.

Moving on to social programs, we are again presented with a slow-paced rollout that will see dollars magically materialize in greater numbers just before the next campaign.

The budget devotes what may be an all-time record number of lines to social and affordable housing, but only 20 million dollars to the file this year. It will be going up to almost a billion dollars in 2018-19.

On paper, the government is committed to helping the provinces create thousands of new child care spaces. But funds for the initiative will not start flowing until the last

fiscal year of the mandate.

Ditto for culture. The Liberals would spend an extra two billion dollars over 10 years on support for the culture industry . . . with the first instalment scheduled for 2018-19.

In the same spirit, the provinces will not see the colour of most of the extra money they were promised for home-care and mental health before the next election.

There are plenty of understandable reasons why even a government as young as this one would go on a holding pattern.

It will take more time for the dust to settle in the wake of the advent of Donald Trump's administration. (Indeed that dust may never really settle.)

Meanwhile, the future of Canada's trade relationship with the U.S. and the country's trade agenda, itself, are up in the air. Trudeau's government already has irons in the fire on a number of fronts.

Its carbon-pricing plan has yet to be implemented. The future of the pipeline plans it has approved is uncertain. The clock is ticking on the promise to legalize marijuana as it is on the commitment to striking a new deal with Canada's

aboriginals.

The first Liberal budget was replete with big-ticket items, leaving it, over a period of uncertain economic growth, with little more than spare change to throw at other priorities.

Given all of the above, it is possible to construe Morneau's initial budget as a five-year spending plan and this year's instalment as the outline of the next Liberal election platform.

Except that it was not just spending on defining items on the Liberal agenda that is being shovelled forward; the government has yet to determine whether to bite the bullet on defence spending and respond to American pressures to up its contribution to NATO. A continuing defence review will eventually shed light on that.

The government is still flirting with the possible privatization of airports. That could be fraught with political perils. Those perils will only increase as we approach the election deadline.

It has postponed a comprehensive tax reform to another day. The political price tag on that could, too, increase with every passing month until the next campaign.

Last, but not least, it has yet to turn its mind to charting a credible path to return to balanced budgets. As former prime minister Paul Martin could testify from firsthand experience, the line between prudence and dithering is a fine one.

### Guess I need a baby to benefit from this budget

**Vicky Mochama**  
Metro

I really don't want one but I think I should have a kid. I was reviewing the new federal budget and that's probably my best move.

Finance minister Bill Morneau introduced it with an anecdote about a Toronto taxi driver who, on recognizing Morneau, called his wife so they both could tell the minister about the positive impact the Canada child benefit has had on their lives. Good for them and their anecdotal children.

This budget goes further in supporting families. It proposes to let mothers to take more of their maternity leave in advance of giving birth and allow families to choose to spread parental leave payments over 18 months instead of the current 12.

I, for one, hope Morneau takes the bus when he's in town, because I might like to meet him to have a few choice words about the mid-2017 elimination of the public transit tax credit. It helped offset the cost of transportation by allowing you to deduct part of the cost of a transit pass on your income tax.

The government's solution is to give millions more to provinces and territories directly and through the proposed Canada Infrastructure Bank. All that money goes to projects that are in progress and regional plans that are under discussion. None of it

goes towards a young person who is paying more and more for transit that doesn't go very far.

Recently, I added up how much I spend on cabs including Uber. I didn't like the number. Yesterday's budget promised to make it even bigger by requiring taxi-like ridesharing services to pay GST/HST – a tax increase that will be passed on to consumers. Now, if only there were some kind of infrastructure bank that paid for faster, more efficient transit so I didn't have to take cabs.

Perhaps their back-up plan is the Youth Service Initiative, which was mentioned in last year's budget. This year's budget allocates no money for this idea but there is a call for proposals.

My idea: Un- and under-employed youth should be drafted into service to piggyback those of us who can no longer afford transit passes.

Speaking to press, Opposition Leader Rona Ambrose insisted her party would be the voice of the taxpayer. Who, I ask, will represent those of us who um, ah, haven't been super on top of our paperwork? (Hey, CRA, these are jokes, I promise.)

The budget also increases the excise duty on alcohol paid by importers and producers. This is a niche problem, but the price of my favourite wine has already gone up. A two-per-cent tax increase brings me down to just one or three bottles per week.

Which is bad, because I might need a glass or two to get into this baby-making venture.

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INTERVIEW

**A very American movement will lead the demise of expertise: Author**

Genna Buck

Metro Canada

Tom Nichols is an expert. He has a PhD in government from Georgetown University. He's an authority on Russian politics and a professor at the United States Naval War College. But, he argues in *The Death of Expertise: The Campaign Against Established Knowledge and Why it Matters*, practically no one cares.

Across society, rich and poor, right and left, we're not just dismissing or criticizing experts, but pooh-poohing the whole idea of expertise itself, he writes. And because it came out just as the world is reckoning with the rise of a proudly inexpert U.S. president, his book has touched a nerve.

You might know Nichols from Twitter as @RadioFreeTom, a famously ruthless conservative critic of President Trump. (He reluctantly supported Hillary Clinton in the 2016 election).

We asked him about the anti-expert trend and what to do with it.

**There's always been anti-intellectualism. But it's become so noticeable. What's happening?**

People don't want to talk about it, but it's because of the growth of narcissism in our society. We really have become so acclimated to thinking that our views on everything are as important and as worthwhile as everyone else's. Every professional in the world at this point has encountered somebody who has told them how to do their job.

**You blame this in part on higher education.**

I think a motivated, intelligent student can still get a great education.

## No one listens to the experts anymore



**Americans steadfastly believe in the common sense of the common person, says Tom Nichols, author of *The Death of Expertise: The Campaign Against Established Knowledge and Why it Matters*.** ISTOCK/ILLUSTRATION

In Europe, Canada or the United States. But in the competition for students and loan dollars, colleges are marketing themselves to teenagers as though they're cars. Many more people are going to college, and many of them shouldn't be going. And that hurts the whole issue of expertise because ... college is no longer a good discriminator for who knows what they're talking about.

**The U.S. has elected a president**

who isn't shy about his lack of expertise. What was it like watching this wave of Trump mania?

I saw it coming. And this wasn't the first election. Although people want to tie this pretty strongly to Donald Trump, it's important to remember Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton's followers believed a lot of outrageous things as well. This has been going on for years. The Trump campaign,

better than anybody, caught this wave and surfed it effectively

**Is there something specifically American about the anti-expertise trend?**

Americans are not comfortable with ideas of class. We believe in the common sense of the common person. So there's always been fertile ground for questioning experts. What's different is this phenomenon of every-

one turning into insufferable know-it-alls. We (used to have) a healthy respect for the division of labour. And that's gone

**Could automation be creating a false sense that jobs are simple and easy?**

Absolutely right. The death of expertise is a disease of affluence. When you're looking around the world and everything just works, you say, "How hard can this be? Who can't fly a plane?" The other problem with so much technology is it makes people realize how dependent on experts they are. And that breeds a sense of helplessness and anger.

**What do you think will make average people suffer the most under this trend?**



**Tom Nichols**

Most troubles are recoverable. I mean if you screw up the economy, you can recover. But when people are out there suggesting that we need to do something firm about Ukraine, and then cannot place Ukraine on the right continent on a map, I worry that we're really headed into problems of war and peace. This kind of ignorant populism sooner or later will either decay into authoritarianism, or — the bigger danger — experts will simply disengage and start running things without arguing with the public.

**Does anything give you hope that this can be turned around?** Nope. There's no hope. Thanks for the interview!

**Really?**

Well, I admit I'm somewhat pessimistic. I think the thing that's most likely to change this is some kind of economic or foreign policy disaster or a pandemic. Nothing will end the anti-vaxxer nonsense faster than a pandemic.



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# Netflix can chill on tax? Not so fast

BUDGET 2017 ANALYSIS

## New Uber tax may set stage for tariff on digital content



**Joe  
Callaghan**  
Metro Canada

The world's leading streaming service might have breathed an initial sigh of relief on Wednesday afternoon when it scanned the 2017 Federal Budget and found itself off the hook in the government's plan for the coming year.

Some observers had focused on the possible introduction of a 'Netflix tax' in Wednesday's budget. In the wake of Heritage Minister Melanie Joly's indication earlier this year that she was eager to find a way to both establish a tax on digital content subscriptions and upgrade Canadian content rules for the digital age, Netflix looked to be

in the firing line.

But the initial impression that they came out unscathed may be off the mark.

The 'Uber tax,' which was one of the headline policies unveiled by Finance Minister Bill Morneau Wednesday, set the precedent for a broader tax on digital services, a net that Netflix could in the future find itself caught up in.

Michael Geist, University of Ottawa law professor and one of the country's foremost voices on wireless and digital commerce, saw it that way.

"The biggest digital implications may ultimately come from the policy reforms," he wrote in an analysis of the budget. "First up may be new digital sales taxes. The... commitment to extend sales taxes to ride sharing companies such as Uber, (is) a move that seems likely to ultimately lead to a broader extension of sales taxes to digital services such as Netflix."

The Los Gatos, Calif.-based streaming service, which has more than 5 million subscribers in this country, has been en-

gaged in a stand-off with successive Canadian governments on a number of fronts. One of the debates is whether it should contribute to the Canadian Media Fund and Canadian content, something it is exempt from under the current Broadcasting Act because its operations aren't based here.

The coming year will have enormous implications for the future of Canada's digital policies

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But with yesterday's budget promising reforms in both the Broadcasting and Telecommunications Acts, upheaval is likely.

"This guarantees that the major policy fights of the past year will continue into the next," added Geist in his post on michael-geist.ca.

"In general we're seeing much

Last year's rollout of a raft of cultural funding by the Liberal government was never likely to be mirrored with another bonanza for the arts Wednesday. But the creative sector wasn't left totally empty handed.

One of the pledges came buried on page 142 of Finance Minister Bill Morneau's plan for the next year. Budget 2017 outlined a \$300 million boost to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund which the government said will help "construct, renovate and better equip" creative spaces "for the next generation."

Prem Gill, CEO of Creative BC, an independent agency responsible for promoting the development of creative industries in the province, welcomed the proposal.

"In general we're seeing much

more of a collaborative shared workspace environment across the creative and tech industries," Gill told Metro. "Investing in any program that brings talent together especially in the creative industry always has a huge benefit. You're probably talking about upgrading and creating new spaces. You want it to fuel creativity when you bring people together."

For the on-the-ground creatives, yesterday's pledge also found welcoming ears.

Tom Chwieszczenik is a Toronto-based landscape architect who throughout the winter turns his attention to Winter Stations (pictured), a design competition challenging artists to turn a clutch of lifeguard stations along the city's lakefront into installations.

In light of concerns over high-

profile urban creative hubs disappearing — 401 Richmond, a long-standing hive for some of Toronto's creative and non-profits, is fighting crippling tax hikes — Chwieszczenik welcomed the Cultural Spaces boost.

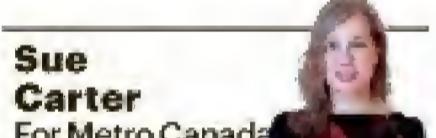
"It's great that they're upping the funding in this area. It's somewhere where there is always funding and support needed. When you read about what's going on with 401 Richmond and all those other spaces, it's somewhere we need assistance right now," he said.

"From what I hear, from my friends in other categories in the arts, they all do have moments where they struggle, across the board. It's really great to hear them use terms like the creative (economy)."

JOE CALLAGHAN/METRO

## INTERVIEW

## Globetrotter's memoir details life as a perpetual outsider



**Sue  
Carter**  
For Metro Canada

There is a leaf blower creating a ruckus outside Joan Juliet Buck's room at the Chateau Marmont.

The iconic Sunset Boulevard hotel, with its intimidating stone-walls and discreet staff, has been a famous hideout for Hollywood celebrities, supermodels and other beautiful people since the 1930s. It's a world in which Buck is familiar — her father co-owned a film production company with

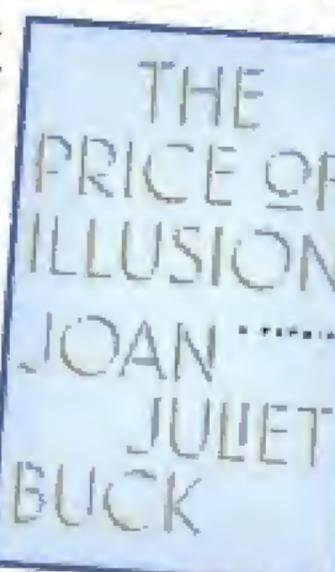
Peter O'Toole, her mother was an actor whose best friend was Lauren Bacall. But it's a world Buck has happily left behind, preferring now the more bohemian company of artists, writers and theatre performers.

Buck is on the phone at the Marmont doing interviews for

her new memoir, *The Price of Illusion*, which chronicles her early life as an expat in Paris, her teenage years as an It Girl in Swinging London, a string of romantic affairs with the likes of Donald Sutherland and Eric Rothschild, and her career as a cultural reviewer.

Buck is best known as the only American to edit *Vogue Paris*, which she did for seven years when she was inexplicably banished and sent away to rehab by her boss, the head of Condé Nast International, for a phantom addiction she clearly didn't suffer from.

The first draft of *The Price of Illusion* was more than 1,000



pages long, not surprising given Buck's rich life, her travels and the people she has encountered (there's even a chilling ghost story). But something happened as she "whittled and sculpted" to find the truth.

"I zeroed in on the thing that had been the problem all along, which has been illusion," Buck says. "I thought there were parts of my life that were testaments to authenticity, and it was always something that I was seeking — except I loved all the glamour and the fantasy."

Buck spent much of her life feeling like a perpetual outsider,

from the time her family moved to Paris when she was three, to her reign at *Vogue*.

One place that did feel like home to Buck was at the Irish estate of her father's friend and colleague, film producer John Huston — more specifically with his wife Ricki, a former ballet dancer who was killed in a car crash at age 39.

Ricki's daughters, actor Angelica and author Allegra Huston, who Buck refers to as "semi-sisters," became unofficial fact checkers for the book.

Now age 68, Buck spends most of her time surrounded by trees at her small home in the Hudson Valley, which she bought after giving up her loft in New York's Hell's Kitchen.

Sue Carter is the editor at Quill & Quire magazine.

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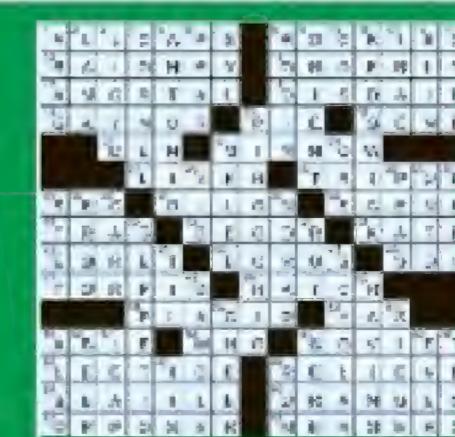
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# SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT MUSEUM FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Discovery and learning isn't taking a spring break at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights (CMHR).

The national museum is offering free admission for all kids 12 and under from March 25 to April 2 and they've got a whole host of activities planned, especially for students, this spring break.

"Our spring break programming is for children as young as two and all the way up through to about 14 years of age," says CMHR interpretive program developer, Amber Parker. "It's an intergenerational experience for families that covers a wide variety of human rights themes."

Spring Break at the museum will see daily activities held throughout the museum's 11 core galleries, including finger-weaving lessons in the Inspiring Change gallery that will give kids the chance to learn how something as simple as yarn is used to protect the human right of children across Africa in the Stephen Lewis Foundation's Grandmothers to Grandmothers campaign.

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—Amber Parker

mothers in South Africa brought attention to their cause by 'yarn-bombing' a tree and decorating it with different brightly-coloured knitted-squares of yarn," explains Parker. "We look at how these elderly grandmothers became such a powerful and formidable force."

Other daily activities planned for the week include a scavenger hunt through all of the museum's galleries, a look at the role Canada has played as a safe haven for refugees and new Canadians over the past 150 years and the chance for kids to gently start learning about the legacy of the Indian Residential Schools system.



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Members of Grandmothers to Grandmothers' local chapter will also be at the museum Sat., April 1 from 1-4 p.m. to personally share their stories and experiences of working with grandmothers in African nations.

Also during spring break week, Little Defenders story hour will include Métis

story-teller Joe McLellan and special guest story-teller TiBert le Voyageur who will both be exploring ideas of acceptance, diversity, and respect.

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# Studios that inspire the creative process

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## Spaces should be adaptable to enable a fluid workflow

Spaces where creativity happens are utterly unlike other rooms, artists and designers say.

Whether at home or elsewhere, these deeply personal spaces often feel like they're in flux, with interiors more curated than decorated. They often feature natural objects and personal totems. They can feel messy, but also like a window into an artist's mind.

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Paul Barbera, Where They Create

both established and up-and-coming designers, architects and artists around the world.

His most recent book is *Where They Create, Japan* (Frame Publishers, Amsterdam). Matthew Waldman, founder of a watch company called Nooka, is one of the designers featured in the book.

"I like to have a lot of stimulation in my creative space, with things to touch and look at, things that inspire me, and lots of plants," says Waldman.

Louessa Roebuck, who, with Sarah Lonsdale, wrote and photographed *Foraged Flora* (Ten Speed Press), featuring images and descriptions of the workplaces of various California "creatives," says "creative spaces reflect an intersection between the highly personal and professional."

The studios, ateliers and other spaces explored in these books vary widely, but many include plants or pets, quirky

objects, and odd assortments of objects grouped in visual vignettes.

"A lot of the things we collect connect us to other places and times, like relics or fossils, shells, stones or bits of inspiration," Roebuck says. "My studio is full of totems."

The rooms also tend to have plenty of natural light or access to the outdoors.

"My home is very pared down but the desk in my studio area is covered in things," says Lonsdale.

"The most creative spaces seem to have the messiest desks. I love those desks. And many creative people spread things out across walls or floors. It's a way to visualize. It's work in progress."

Rachael Weiner, senior style and market editor at Real Simple magazine, says anyone can foster creativity in their home office or studio space.

"While a home is a place to foster tranquility, to relax and recharge, a creative space is the opposite. You want it to be comfortable, but you also want the energy to be dynamic," she says.

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Self-taught architect Tadao Ando working at his desk in Osaka. This photograph is featured in Paul Barbera's book *Where They Create, Japan* from Frame Publishers and explores creatives' studios and workplaces. PAUL BARBERA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Building new memories in a familiar neighbourhood

Nestled in the heart of one of the most desired neighbourhoods of Winnipeg, RidgeWood West is the newest development in the Charleswood area. Winnipeggers have patiently waited for the opportunity to build a new home in the community they know and love and now is their chance.

"Many potential residents have waited a long time to build a brand-new home in Charleswood, and RidgeWood West is growing quickly," says Eric Vogan of Qualico Communities. "Careful consideration goes into planning a neighbourhood like this one. It's a community that has been years in the making."

While Phase 1A is nearing completion and residents are eagerly taking possession, lots in Phase 1B have been released with more home sites to follow throughout the year. With nine different home builders, future residents can explore all the different show homes and styles offered from three premium builders and six custom builders. Among the nine is a

well-known custom home builder, Hearth Homes.

"A lot of the homes we're building are more on the traditional side with clean simple lines, crown moulding, lighter colours and lots of cultured stone," says Matt Wickstrom of Hearth Homes.

While the custom homes in RidgeWood West are a blend of both traditional and contemporary design, in the end it's really about the client's vision coming to life.

Adam Wickstrom, also from Hearth Homes, says that clients are choosing to focus on interior design functionality. To gain more space for entertaining, many clients are spending more time customizing their kitchens.

"People are constantly focusing on getting the most out of their space and having it be multifunctional. Whether it's more room for baking around the holidays or squeezing in a few extra people at Thanksgiving Dinner, it helps make the kitchen flow a little easier," says Adam Wickstrom.



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The 2017 Spring Parade of Homes wraps up this weekend. So for those who haven't had time to visit the show homes yet, now's your chance.

"It's really exciting to see previous Charleswood residents start building new memories in a neighbourhood they've always loved," says Vogan.

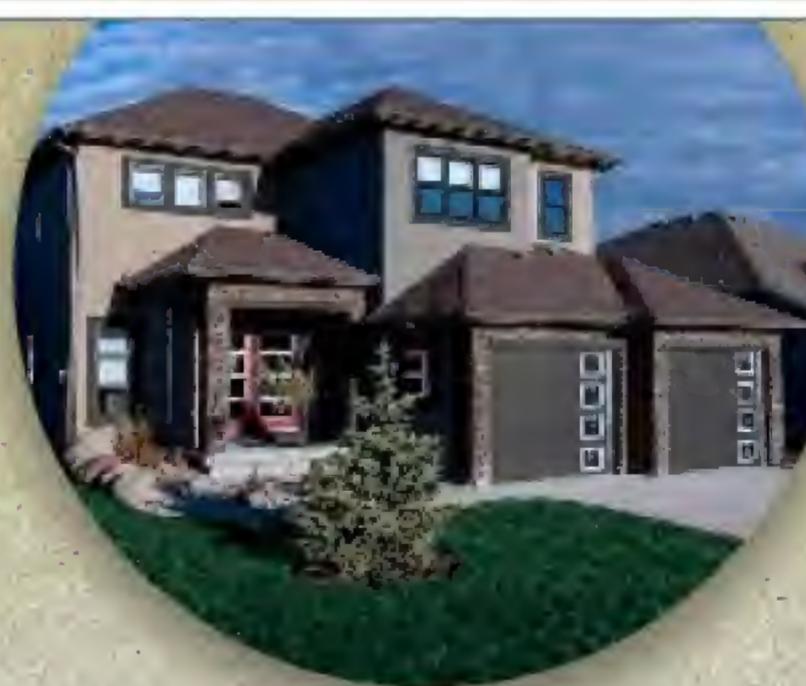
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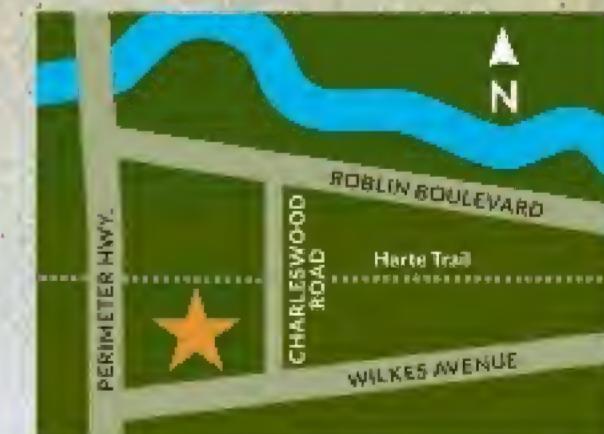
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## Canadian teen Stroll at starting line of F1 career

### MOTORSPORTS

#### 18-year-old from Montreal debuting with Williams

It is rare to realize a life's dream at an early age, but you could see it coming for Formula One racing rookie Lance Stroll.

The 18-year-old, who was named as a driver for the Williams F1 team in

November, will make his debut in motor racing's top series this weekend at the Australian Grand Prix.

He will be the second youngest to race in F1 after Max Verstappen, who began at 17 for Toro Rosso in 2015 before being promoted to the Red Bull team and winning the Spanish Grand Prix last summer.

Stroll landed the Williams ride after he became the youngest champion of the European Formula 3 series last year, winning 14 of



Lance Stroll

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30 races.

"I've progressed a lot and I think I've reached a level of driving that I was aiming for," Stroll said after winning the title. "But there is still a lot to learn because you always need to adapt to a higher level."

Of course, he also had the benefit of financial help from his billionaire father Lawrence Stroll, a diehard racing and Ferrari fan who has not

hesitated to dip into his vast resources to help his son reach his goals.

Some reports estimated that Lawrence Stroll, who made his fortune in the fashion industry, spent at least \$40 million US to get his son a seat in F1.

Lance Stroll acknowledges that the money helped, but he still had to prove himself on the track.

"For sure it's important to have sponsorships in F1 because, as we've seen, there have been good drivers who didn't make it because they didn't have solid backing," Stroll said in a recent interview. "It shouldn't be like that but it is, so it's good to have support."

Money can't buy talent, but that's not a problem for Stroll.

Vince Loughran, who runs the Mont-Tremblant track north of Montreal owned by Stroll's

**He can't rely only on his talent. He has to keep working to improve.**

Mentor Hugo Mousseau

father, said the young driver was impressive from the outset. And Loughran, who has worked in motor racing for more than 42 years, has seen youngsters make it to F1 before.

"I worked at Mont-Tremblant when Gilles Villeneuve came to take (race) driving lessons in 1973," he said of the former Ferrari ace who died in a crash at the 1982 Belgian Grand Prix. "I also saw Gilles' brother Jacques and his son Jacques Villeneuve (the 1997 F1 champion for Williams) take lessons here."

"Now, it's Lance's turn."

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### IN BRIEF

#### Homan takes top spot for playoffs at curling worlds

Canada's Rachel Homan kept her unbeaten streak intact at the world women's curling championship on Wednesday, locking up first place in the round-robin standings in the process.

Homan (9-0) posted a 6-4 win over Sweden's Anna Hasselborg in the afternoon draw before topping Anna Kubeskova of the Czech Republic 9-3.

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#### Canada ties Scotland in men's soccer friendly

Canada tied Scotland 1-1 Wednesday in a soccer friendly that will have done little to boost Scottish spirits before a key World Cup qualifier on the weekend.

At No. 67, Scotland is ranked 50 places higher than Canada, which had lost all five previous meetings between the two.

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#### USA Hockey postpones women's training camp

USA Hockey has postponed the start of the women's national team's world championship training camp amid an ongoing wage dispute.

The camp was scheduled to begin Wednesday.

USA Hockey still "anticipates" a training camp in Plymouth, Mich., site of the upcoming women's world championship, which begins March 31.

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# Detective work behind jersey authentication

NFL

## Verifying Brady's missing shirt was painstaking and tedious task

Now that authorities believe they have recovered the jersey stolen from Tom Brady's locker following the Patriots' Super Bowl win last month, the next step will be determining whether it is in fact the MVP quarterback's missing grass-stained garment.

So how exactly does that happen? Old-fashioned detective work. Experts in the sports memorabilia industry, including one that has worked directly with NFL teams, say it is a tedious process that involves comparing photos and videos that captured degradation to the jersey during the game. They also compare the jersey to team-issued serial numbers and other player-specific customizations that authentic jerseys typically have.



**Tom Brady** surveys the Patriots' locker-room after New England's Super Bowl win on Feb. 5 in Houston. KEVIN C. COX/GETTY IMAGES

"Every jersey is like a fingerprint. No two jerseys are alike," said Barry Meisel, president of the MeiGroup, which has authenticated game-worn sports memorabilia since 1997. "They're hand-stitched, full of dirt, mud, helmet stains, turf skids and burns. When you look at jersey after a game it's unique."

NFL spokesman Brian McCarthy declined Wednesday to

discuss the authentication process due to security reasons, writing in an email only "there are a number of procedures we have been using." The FBI also has not commented on the methods it is using.

Brady's jersey went missing from the Patriots' locker room after their Super Bowl win over the Atlanta Falcons Feb. 5, setting off an investigation that

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Barry Meisel

stretched from Boston to the Mexican border.

Working with U.S. investigators, Mexican authorities obtained a warrant to search property of Martin Mauricio Ortega, a tabloid journalist who colleagues say went to the game with a media credential, but bragged he was there as a fan.

Authorities recovered the jersey, along with another Brady jersey that disappeared after the 2015 Super Bowl. A helmet belonging to a Denver Broncos player — possibly Von Miller — was also discovered. Ortega quit his job two days after the search, but has not been charged in the case and has not been located for comment.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

## Sweet 16 teams also winning in class

Men's and women's basketball teams in this year's Sweet 16 are graduating more players and experiencing all-time high academic success.

The programs still alive in the NCAA Tournament are enjoying the best academic success since The Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sport on the University of Central Florida campus has been tracking the numbers, according to a study it released Wednesday.

This year, 15 of the 16 men's

teams, and all of the women's teams, that made it to the Sweet 16 have an Academic Progress Rate (APR) of 960 or better.

These programs are also graduating their players at a higher rate, with 81 per cent of the men and 100 per cent of the women holding a Graduation Success Rate (GRS) of at least 60 per cent. These numbers either equal or surpass all-time highs for this particular TIDES study, which has been in existence since 2003. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### IN BRIEF

#### Bouchard out in first round

Canadian tennis player Eugenie Bouchard suffered a fourth consecutive loss Wednesday, falling 6-4, 5-7, 6-3 to Ashleigh Barty in the Miami Open first round.

Barty stretched her winning streak to eight by claiming the last three games of the match between two past junior Wimbledon champions whose careers have been filled with ups and downs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### State lowers McGregor fine

Nevada athletic officials on Wednesday reduced the penalty they imposed on UFC star Conor McGregor following a fracas with a rival during a pre-fight news conference last year.

The Nevada Athletic Commission approved an agreement with McGregor that settled on a \$25,000 fine (down from \$150,000) and 25 hours of community service. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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- salt and pepper
- 1 tsp lemon zest
- 2 or 3 good squeezes of lemon juice

• 1/4 to 1/3 cup grated Parmesan

**Directions**

1. Preheat the oven to 425 degrees.
2. Wash and dry the broccoli very well. Scatter on a baking sheet. Drizzle with olive oil and sprinkle a good pinch of salt and pepper.
3. Pop in a hot oven for 20 to 25 minutes until the broccoli starts to char slightly at the edges.

4. Remove from the oven and toss with lemon juice and zest. Transfer to your serving dish and cover with the grated cheese.

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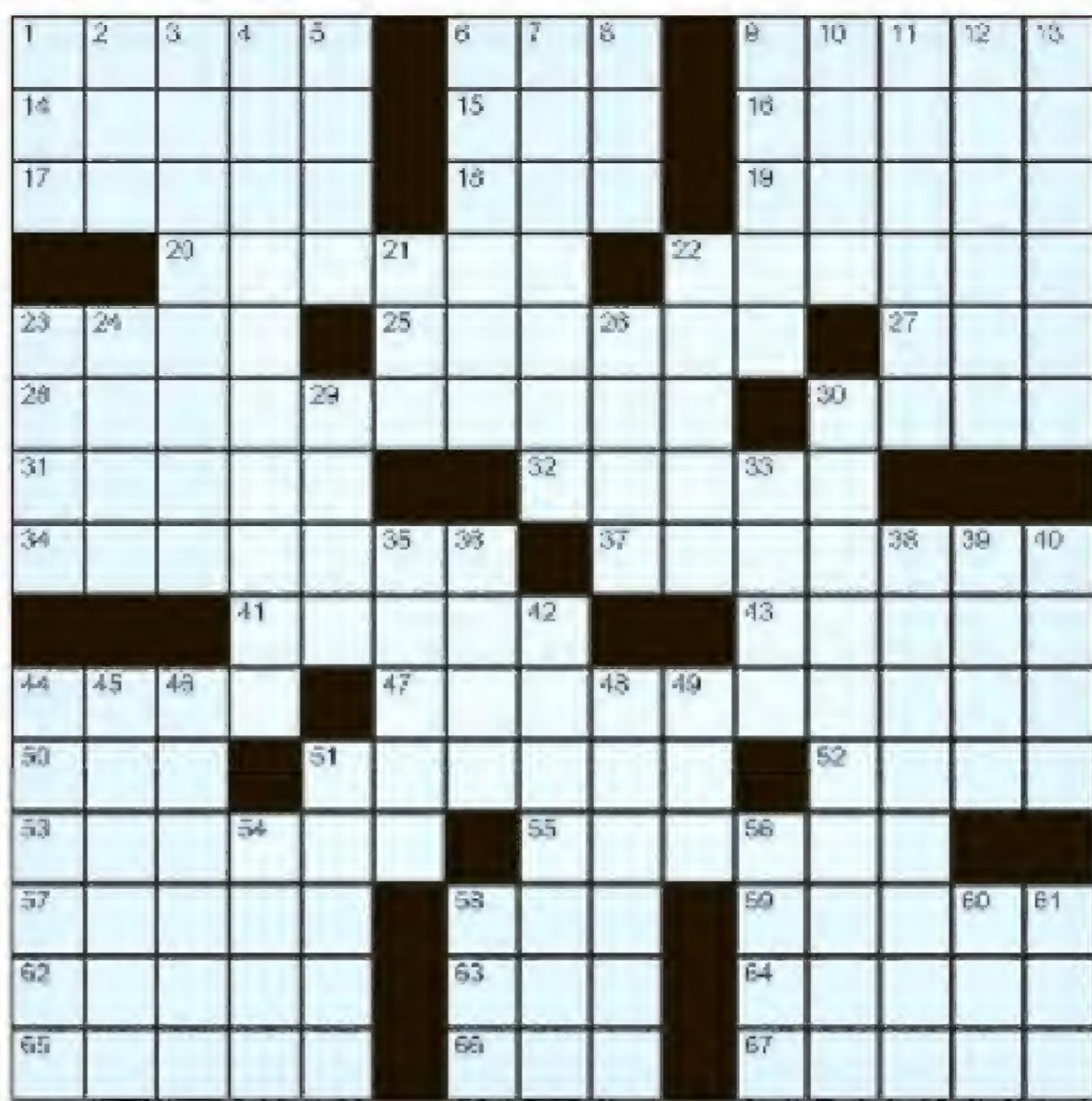
**ACROSS**

1. Occupationally overwhelm
6. 1995 album: A Boy Named \_
9. Gather up
14. Son on classic sitcom "My Three Sons"
15. "State \_ Main" (2000)
16. Sacred choral piece
17. Greenish-blues
18. Y's Canadian spelled-out follower
19. Go in
20. Comic strip, For \_ or For Worse
22. Doesn't really know
23. Entertainment production
25. Flourish
27. Modern
28. Pembina Valley community in Manitoba approximately two hours southwest of Winnipeg; 2 wds.
30. Some Smarties
31. Burning
32. Steven Seagal movie, "Under \_" (1992)
34. Identifying stock exchange symbols
37. Bridge framework
41. French writer Mr. Zola (b.1840 - d.1902)
43. Ventilated
44. Awaken
47. Nunavut; Part of Baffin Island, \_\_ Peninsula
50. Write
51. Spoken
52. Car race, \_\_ 500
53. Pasta brand
55. Movie shoot dailies
57. "The Love Boat" bartender
58. Tunsmith
59. Not qualified
60. Not qualified
61. Not qualified
62. Car race, \_\_ 500
63. Rap music's Kim
64. Cake's coating
65. Ranch animal
66. Tip to 'ment' (Factor)
67. Communicates via smartphone

**DOWN**

1. Jiffy
2. \_\_ humour
3. Steroid sort
4. Excavating employee
5. Fruit fly, for one
6. Summerhome's shady shelter
7. Burdensome
8. Curious
9. Make better
10. Wee weekdays
11. Make harmonious
12. Propheticized, say
13. Scatters
21. Aberdeen accessory

22. "Down \_" by Men At Work
23. Squabble
24. R.E.M. album: "New Adventures in \_"
26. Police K-9 \_
29. Overbribed
30. I-was-knocked-down-but-I-got-back-up quality
33. Equipment
35. \_\_-Ronii (Sidedish brand est. 1958)
36. Curved musical symbol
38. Fascinate
39. Loan
40. Bandleader/pianist biopic starring Tyrone Power, "The Dutchin Story" (1956)
42. Tangle into the trouble
44. Chop the logs for firewood
45. Red Rose service: 2 wds.
46. Intrinsic
48. Showy trinket
49. "SCTV" cast member ...his initials-shareers
51. \_\_ of Christ aka The Pope
54. Maintenance
56. "Eight" in Edmonton
58. Wheat, in Saguenay
60. Savings acc't. rate
61. \_\_ with Tracy Jordan, as on "30 Rock"



## ★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

**Aries** March 21 - April 20 You might be obsessed with something today. Furthermore, you might demand that you get your way. Lighten up.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21 If you have to do research today, you probably will be successful. You won't stop until you find what you're looking for. You'll be like a dog with a bone.

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21 Conversations with friends and groups will be intense today, because people are purposeful and bossy. Avoid someone if he or she is coming on too strong.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23 Try to be tactful during conversations with bosses and parents today, because power struggles might take place. If people disagree, they quickly will begin to argue.

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23 Do not try to coerce others into your way of thinking, especially about politics, religion or racial issues. However, this is a good day to study something, because you have focus.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23 Arguments about how to divide or share something today might arise. Arguments about shared responsibilities also might be a problem. Try to avoid these arguments.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23 Someone might try to force his or her point of view on you today, or vice versa. This doesn't promote a happy relationship, does it?

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22 Because you are obsessed with something today, you can tackle a routine job and get a lot done. You also might study and learn something new at work.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21 Romantic partners might have trouble today, because this is not an easygoing day. People want their own way and they're not prepared to compromise. Yikes.

**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20 Because you might be obsessed with something today, you actually can use this energy and get a lot of work done.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19 Avoid family debates today — they will accomplish nothing. However, if you roll up your sleeves, you can do some hard work at home, especially related to bathrooms, plumbing, garbage and recycling.

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20 Don't come on too strong when talking to others today, because you are tempted to do that. Remember: You get more flies with honey than with vinegar.

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